

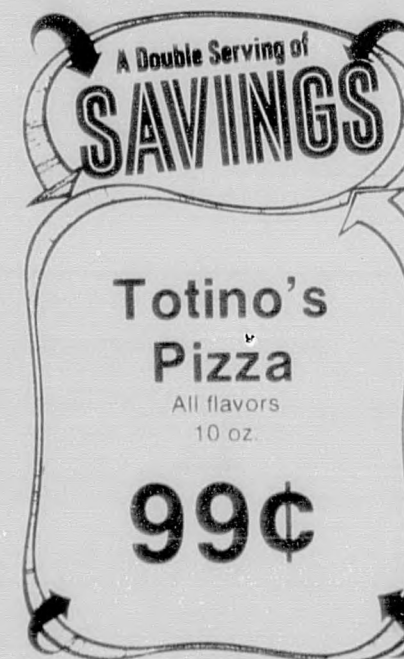


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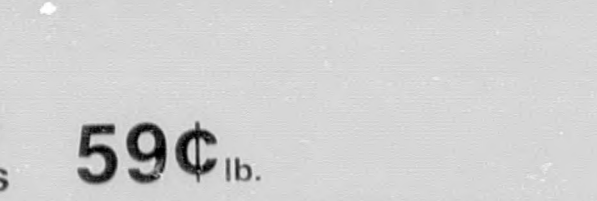
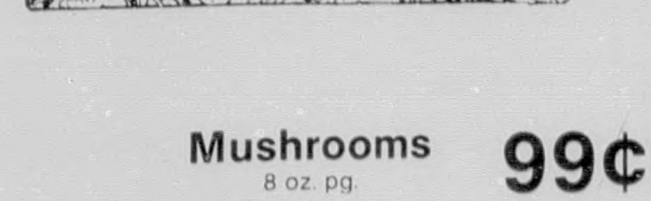
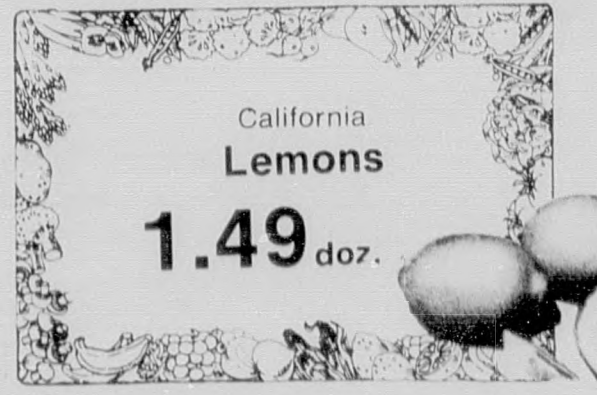
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PARTY POOPER . . . The Elba Police Department spoiled at least one holiday celebration last week when it confiscated 18 gallons of moonshine during the early morning of July 4. According to Elba Police Chief John Ed White, pictured above with the moonshine, officers Freddie Hanchey and L.C. Cook stopped a car coming toward Elba on Highway 189 at 1:48 a.m. July 4, and after a search of the car discovered the moonshine in various sized plastic jugs. Charlie Tyson, driver of the car, was arrested and charged with transporting illegal liquors, while Fletcher May, a passenger in the car, was arrested and charged with violation of prohibition law. Both were later released on bond.

Late Payments Begin To Pile Up

The Elba Water and Electric Board met Tuesday evening. This was the regular monthly meeting and business was routine. The board officially adopted the personnel procedures of the city, noting all employees should operate under the same rules. Board members voted to authorize management to expand funds necessary to clean up the warehouse area and do necessary painting.

While reviewing the financial status of the department, chairman Oscar Vaughan noted it was early in the month and this was partially

responsible for the high accounts receivable of \$14,728 representing late payments on some 60 accounts. Vaughan noted that much of this was government agencies that have not had time to get payments approved this early in the month. Monthly bills totaled \$10,278.68 and included the payment for 100 water meters purchased for installation on existing accounts presently paying the flat rate.

Electricity sales for the past month totaled \$228,516.16, water sales in the city totaled \$14,341.70 and rural water sales were \$1925.27.



A 16-year-old Opp girl was killed Friday night when this Pontiac Firebird left the road and flipped near Kinston.

Opp Girl Killed Friday In Wreck Near Kinston

A one car accident last Friday night claimed the life of an Opp teenage girl and placed another in a Pensacola hospital. The two girls were traveling west on Highway 52, between Kinston and Opp, when they apparently lost control of the vehicle in a curve. The car, a Pontiac Firebird, rolled over and ended up on the left side of the highway, inside of the curve.

Killed was Jane Sanders, 16, who was a passenger in the car. The driver, Jill Archie, 17, was injured and is reportedly in satisfactory condition at West Florida Hospital in Pensacola. She was taken to the hospital by the Kinston Rescue Squad.

State Trooper R.W. Whitworth was assisted in investigating the accident by State Trooper Corporal Parker, the Coffee County Sheriff's Department and Kinston Police.

Bike Trail To Be Constructed Leading To New Recreation Park

The Elba City Council gave Mayor Bob English the 'go ahead' to proceed with efforts to build a bicycle trail on Smith Avenue leading to Hawkins-Williams Recreation Park.

The council met in a regular meeting Monday night, July 8, with all members except Cleo Hawkins present.

There had been previous concern among members of the council about the availability of the new swimming pool at the recreation park to youngsters on bicycles or foot. The possibility of building a bike trail had been discussed as a safety measure for these youngsters.

Mayor English told the council that there was a possibility that the

state would cooperate in building the trail. The city would do the grading and base work, and the state would be responsible for the paving.

The bicycle trail would extend from the end of the four-lane section on Smith Avenue to Champ McCollough Drive. It would be approximately seven feet wide.

The council agreed that English

should proceed with efforts to build this with the cooperation of the state.

Police Chief John Ed White reported that he had worked out a plan whereby the police department could provide not only escorts for funeral processions, but also have officers at traffic lights in order to keep the procession together.

White said that by holding the first shift over an hour or calling the second shift in an hour earlier, this could be done with no problem. He said that this would give the department the two extra men that would be needed to direct the procession, while keeping regular police activities running as usual.

The council approved White's plan.

The council then approved a request by the mayor to donate \$500 to the Coffee County Association of Retarded Citizens for their summer day camp program. The council has supported this project in the past.

The council discussed what their policy would be as to providing water and sewage services off the new bypass.

They noted that the property would be state right-of-way property, and that much development is anticipated.

They decided that the city would provide sewage lines, as long as a lift station is not required. If a request is made that requires a lift station, the matter will have to come before the council. Lift stations average \$30 - 40,000.

The council approved \$19,980.59 in bills, which included \$2456 for umpires, \$2024 for insurance, \$2112 for concrete, and \$4874 for gas.

English reported that well number three on the Brantley Highway has been repaired, and should now be pumping 500 gallons of water per minute.

English also told the council that a fire prevention official had visited Elba last week, and expressed optimism that Elba's fire insurance rating may again be lowered as a result of the new fire station now under construction.

According to English, the city may not have to hire full-time firemen to get the lower rating, but may get it by having the volunteers attend some classes in either Montgomery or Ft. Rucker.

English said that the official recommended purchasing two 750 gallon capacity firetrucks as opposed to the one 1,000 gallon capacity truck that the city planned to purchase. The monetary difference would be about \$1,000.

The lower fire insurance rating would provide a 15 - 20 percent savings to insurance holders who have fire insurance.

Mayor English commended Councilwoman Gladys Yelverton on her preliminary work on establishing a ward system for the election of city officials.

Yelverton told the council that the wards had been divided according to the 1980 census, and that no two present council members would be in the same ward as it was drawn.

She noted that the map was drawn based on the extension of city limits to more densely populated areas, and that each member would represent 891 - 911 people.

The mayor told the council that in order to get the Justice Department to cooperate with the proposal, a new census would have to be taken, and noted that this could possibly be done in conjunction with the postal department, which has expressed a desire to update street housing numbers.

The council appointed Yelverton and Councilwoman Frances Trammell to look into the possibilities and begin hiring workers to take the census.

Coffee County Commission Votes To Resubmit Bids For Paving Of Four Rural Dirt Roads

The Coffee County Commission met in regular session on Monday, July 8, at the courthouse in Elba and voted to resubmit invitations to bid on the paving of four rural county roads.

The commission had opened bids on paving material at its last meeting, but tabled action and Monday voted to reject all bids and resubmit. The new project will include all paving to be done by the contractor and carries a completion date of October 15. The bids will be opened at a special adjourned meeting today (Thursday) at 3 p.m.

Roads to be paved include the Huxsey Road, Stuckey Road, Bonita Estates Road and Friendship-to-Fairview Road.

The commission's dissatisfaction with Gallion machinery and the Tractor and Equipment Company will be aired with officials of both companies this week at a meeting in Enterprise. The commission will explain its feelings and give company officials a chance to defend allegations.

A representative from the South East Alabama Transit System (SEATS) addressed the commission and requested financial support to allow the agency to better serve the needs of the area.

The commission agreed to consider the request when working on the 1986 budget.

County road superintendent Bill DeVane asked what to do on two matters and was told to get a T20 bulldozer repaired and to send the county-wide crew to do work on the

Friendship-to-Fairview Road. Commission chairman Marion Brunson spoke only briefly, but reported work at the jail was progressing on schedule and would cost only \$12,000. The work includes the addition of a four-inmate cell and is being done by inmate and county labor.

In other action at Monday's meeting, the commission:

***was told the Driver's License Testing Center had been moved to the Farm Center Office Complex in New Brockton;

***agreed to hire a contractor to stripe county roads and attempt to sell the county's striping machine which has never been used; and

***paid bills.

The next regular meeting will be on Monday, April 22 at Elba.

County's King Rats To Be Crowned Aug. 1

To raise money for the American Cancer Society, some of Enterprise's and Elba's biggest rats are literally "coming out of the woodwork." Twenty-eight to be exact - 18 in Enterprise and 10 in Elba.

They all want to be king. First, there will be King Rat for Coffee

County; then, there will be King Rat for Elba; and finally, there will be a King Rat for Enterprise. All these Kings will be crowned during the Victory Party of August 1 at the Enterprise State Junior College.

The race is already on. The competition began last Tuesday noon when the contestants kicked off the campaign with a dinner at Remon's in Enterprise. They will be soliciting "votes" from their friends as votes will be the determining factor in who's the BIGGEST RAT. These votes will be in form of donation-money-given to combat cancer through research, education and patient services. A full 75 cents of every dollar collected is used in these three fields. The remaining 25 cents goes for administration, overhead, and conducted cancer drives.

Each candidate will be conducting his own campaign and can do whatever he desired to encourage the donations. These may take the form of bake sales, walk-a-thons, dances, garage sales, candy sales, car washes, donations and dinners. The limitations are provided by the candidate himself.

An example of what is coming this month is the project SKITSO-TOP being conducted by Joe Paul

Stewart. SKITSO-TOP means Swift Kick In The Seat Of The Ole Pants and promises to be an 'uplifting experience.' He has called on the bosses around Enterprise to join with him on July 18 at 12:30 p.m. in the parking lot of the First Baptist Church to provide employees an opportunity to "reach out and touch someone." A good kick cost \$5, while a less emphatic kick will be \$3. Checks are to be made payable to the American Cancer Society.

Probate Judge Marion Brunson will be soliciting funds from those visiting him at his office during the period.

Candidates from Enterprise are: Dr. John Lester, Dr. Joe Talmadge, Judge Marion Brunson, Fred D. Donaldson, Don Donaldson, Ray Hughes, Bob Sanford, Thad Morgan, Bernie Hughes, Joe Harris, Joe Paul Stewart, Eddie Lammon, Johnnie Taylor, Windell Briggs, Lawrence DeRamus, Ed Sawyer, Jack Pugh, Billy Murdock.

From Elba are: Brice Paul, Doug Holderfield, Bob English, Kennett Strong, Ms. Debbie Jarod, Van McCall, Jimmy Holley, Harry Jacobs, Danny Belcher and Joe Claypool.

New Brockton Man Killed In Accident July 3rd

A 43-year-old New Brockton man was killed last week when a car in which he was a passenger was involved in a one-vehicle accident.

Merton Enters Insanity Plea In Court

Harry Lewis Merton, a former Dothan school teacher accused of numerous sex-related crimes involving young girls, pleaded insanity by reason of insanity during arraignment proceedings last week in Dothan.

Merton, age 56, now residing in Enterprise, is charged with 15 offenses in Enterprise, as well as

According to state trooper Ronnie Whitworth, William Edward Hardy of Rt. 2, New Brockton, was a passenger in a 1968 Chevrolet station wagon driven by William Earl Hardy, age 19, of Rt. 2, New Brockton, when the vehicle left the roadway on a dirt road south of New Brockton, at 6:15 p.m. on July 3.

The victim, who was thrown from the car, was pronounced dead at the scene by the coroner, while the driver was taken to a hospital and released.

Trooper Whitworth reported the car turned over at least once after leaving the roadway.

Brainstorms

With Ferrin Cox

When we wonder at the clamor from the universities when the feds talk of cutting funding for education, maybe we need to study the facts to know why they scream. A report crossed my desk recently from the University of Alabama at Birmingham. One page listed the revenue for a recent year. With total revenues of \$314,328,534 at the Birmingham campus, only \$20,080,623 or less than seven percent came from tuition! The vast majority came from federal grants for various purposes. We need to note that this is a medical school and probably gets more federal funding than the average, but still these tax funds are a major factor in operating a college.

Tuesday morning I got a bumble bee up my pants! The first burning pain on the calf of my leg caused me to look. This moved the bee up above the knee and he hit me twice more very quickly. You can be sure that even though I was in public with six or eight folks looking on, if that thing had stung me one more time a little higher up, I would have come out of my pants right there. As it was, I apparently knocked him away, because all that was left was one fuzzy leg on the floor. While a human bee loses his stinger when he stings, the same isn't true for the larger bumble bee and I have three knots on my leg as proof.

There is a football coach over in Georgia, by the name of Vince Dooley, who has floated balloons on the possibility of running for the U.S. Senate. This has led to speculation of a replacement, and one possibility mentioned was Pat Dye, who is presently at Auburn. Dye in turn announced, "no way." This reminds us of a joke years ago when I was in the military. A coach and recruited Dooley. Rumors ranged up to a million dollars if he would accept, but that still he stayed at Georgia. Columnist Lewis Grizzard was speaking at a convention I was attending that summer and he commented on the rumor and said something about understanding because "being from Georgia, I wouldn't go to Auburn for a million dollars, either!" Now Dye has returned the insult.

It is refreshing to be assured that area watermelons are not involved in problems of poisoning discovered on melons out West. It seems that some farmers out there used the wrong stuff on the crops and several hundred folks got sick. Be safe and eat home-grown crops.

The Disney World people have announced another big buck project for the Orlando area. They plan to spend about \$300 million to construct a movie making complex that will offer permanent employment to 1500 people. Along with the normal picture making, they are planning to keep the facility open to tourists, and probably have figured out a way to make some additional money off its travelers. That is all right with me, 'cause we have the option of paying or not looking.

There is talk of a baseball players strike and apparently the only hand-up is just when to go out on strike. Then there is talk of the NFL football players going out on strike this fall. If all centers around money, money, money. We have resolved not to get upset if either group refuses to play for a week, month or forever. We defend their right not to work if they feel underpaid, but also defend the owners right not to pay more than they can afford. We feel the fans are already paying their fair share. TV seems to be paying through the nose and where else is the money to come from. It seems to take a rich group willing to lose a lot of money in tax write offs to own a team now and yet the poor players can't make ends meet on their three-figure salaries.

We continue to read of folks being upset with the U.S. Supreme Court ruling concerning prayer in schools. We don't share those emotions at all. We don't quarrel with school prayer, but do have some concerns with the direction of our society in the past few years. A law allowing prayer in the school would also allow the far-out cults to have the same rights as your church and mine. This means our children might be subjected legally to Reverend Moon and other, far wackier, cult religions. Let's just leave it alone. We are assured a child is going to say a quiet prayer just before a test. "There ain't a atheist in those fox holes during combat."

Bulletin Board

COFFEE COUNTY COGNITIONERS
ASSN. - 3rd Sat. 3 p.m. Club House
S.S. REP. - City Hall - 3rd Tuesdays
9:30 - 12:30. Call free 1-800-325-0334.
ROTARY CLUB - Mon. Noon - Beaver
Dam Restaurant.
EASTERN STAR - 2nd-4th Thurs. 7 p.m.
ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSN. - Thur. 8:30 a.m. - Becky's Buffet
JAYCEES - 1st & 3rd Thurs. 7 p.m. Becky's Buffet.
JAYCEEITES - 2nd Mon. 7 p.m.
PROUDEN BANK
CITY COUNCIL - 2nd-4th Mon. 6 p.m.
BPAW - 2nd Mon. 7 p.m. - Com. Room
Elba Exchange Bank
LIONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Thurs. 7 p.m.
Beaver Dam Restaurant
ELBA CITY COUNCIL BOARD - 1st Thurs. 5 p.m. Supl. Office
AMERICAN LEGION - 1st Thurs. 7:30 p.m. Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.
BOY SCOUTS - Mon. 7 p.m. Over Old City Hall
RESCUE SQUAD - 2nd & 4th Thursdays
WATER & ELECTRIC - 2nd Tues. 5 p.m. City Hall
MASSONIC LODGE #170 - 1st Sat. 3rd Mon. 7 p.m.
AA - Wed. 7 p.m. - St. Citizens Bldg.
BAND BOOSTERS - 1st Mon. 7 p.m. Band Room
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Tues. and Thurs. 8:30 - 4:00 897-2924

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Police Report

The Elba Police Department reported an active week with a total of 4 arrests and 5 traffic citations logged. The arrests were for violation of prohibition laws transporting illegal liquors, highway intoxication and disorderly conduct, while the citations were for speeding (3), driving with suspended license and no driver's license on person.

Following are daily activity reports:
Tuesday, July 2
Activity included cows out on Smith Ave. (7:52 a.m.) and obscene phone calls to a home on 84 East (10:37 a.m.).
Wednesday, July 3
Activity included cows out on Smith Ave. (7:38 a.m.), an obscene phone call (11:30 a.m.), a possible intoxicated driver on Taylor Mill Rd. (5:31 p.m.), a wreck on County Rd. 43 (5:40 p.m.) and a request for a corner at New Brockton (6:23 p.m.).
Thursday, July 4

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Activity included a fight in progress at a home on Moore Ave. (2:51 p.m.), a disturbance at a home on Smith Ave. (8:13 p.m.) and a wreck in public on Adkinson St. (8:58 p.m.).
Friday, July 5
Activity included a disturbance involving a gray car in the Heights (12:56 a.m.), a burglary at Great Southern Paper Co. (8:44 a.m.) and a theft at Family Dollar (12:55 p.m.).
Saturday, July 6
Only routine activity reported.
Sunday, July 7
Activity included a wreck on 87 N. (12:02 a.m.), a wreck on Highland Dr. (2:42 p.m.) and a burglary at Beaver Dam Loggers (4:38 p.m.).
Monday, July 8
Activity included a burglary at Great Southern (7:25 a.m.), a dog bite victim at the Emergency Room (4:31 p.m.), a prowler on the old Samson Hwy. (9:22 p.m.) and a disturbance at the Little Beaver (11:15 p.m.).

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Church Events

REVIVAL AT FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST - IN BULLOCK

There will be a revival at the Friendship Baptist Church on July 14-19 at 7:30 p.m. Guest speaker will be Evangelist Rev. Ralph Avera from Brantley Baptist Church.

Pastor W.M. (Duck) Rayburn invites everyone to the meetings. The church is located in Bullock Community near Brantley, Alabama.

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PASTOR'S CORNER

JY. BILL BISHOP, Guest Columnist
MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

LOVE IS? The most excellent way! (I Corinthians 13)

To my Christian brothers and sisters
If we can speak all the languages of the world fluently and never use profanity, but we do not have love, then it's just talk with no meaning. If we gathered all the wisdom from the four corners of the globe, and believed we could do anything if we really tried, but love wasn't in it, then it would be a total waste. If in our wealth we contributed to

charities, fed and clothed the poor, educated the illiterate and sheltered the homeless, but didn't do it with love, then it couldn't be called a Christian deed. It's more likely a selfish tax cut.

Love doesn't look forward to recognition. Love doesn't keep a record of debts. Love is content at any time doing anything and can never be tired.

Be alert, brethren, for men will come and predict the future. Wise men will tell you how to run your life. Stay loyal to love for it never changes. Walk in love and succeed, for God is love.

As the walk begins you may stumble like that of a child taking his first steps; don't be discouraged, for doesn't the child try to fall into the loving outstretched arms of the Father? Let the Father guide and direct you and you will realize that only three things really matter: they are faith (in what He has done for us), hope (in what He will do), and most of all love (the reason for it all). Amen!

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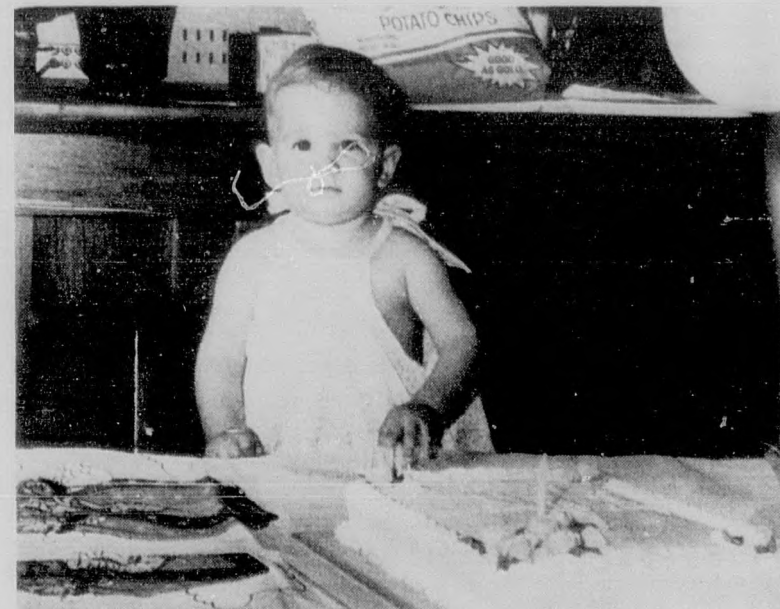
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Socials

Miss Whitman To Wed Mr. Miller Friday

Mrs. W.H. Whitman Jr. requests the honor of your presence at the marriage of her daughter Kimberly Kay to Ronald Lloyd Miller on Friday, July 12, 1985 at 6:00 in the evening at Westside Baptist Church, Elba.



KAYLA HUDSON

Kayla Hudson Celebrates First Birthday

Kayla Renea Hudson of Brantley celebrated her first birthday with a party at her home. The party theme was "Happy Birthday with Sesame Street Characters."

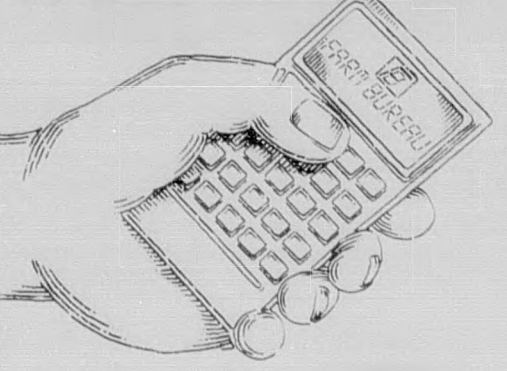
Kayla and her party mates enjoyed refreshments consisting of birthday cake, chips, ice cream and coke. Kayla received many nice gifts.

Morris, and Papa and Mema Hudson.

Cain Reunion Scheduled For July 14th

All descendants of the late Daniel G. and Martha (Harper) Cain families are invited to meet at the old Pleasant Ridge Primitive Baptist Church, some 8 miles east of Elba. The date is Sunday, July 14, 1985.

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Mrs. Keith Hocutt

Miss Burton - Miss Hocutt United In Marriage

Miss Carolyn Burton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Burton of Grant, Alabama, and Mr. Keith Hocutt, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Hocutt of Elba, were united in marriage on Saturday, June 15, 1985, at 11 o'clock in the morning at the First Baptist Church in Atlanta, Georgia, with Rev. Varon Crosby officiating.

A program of wedding music was provided by Bee Walter, organist. Linda Osborne created a spirit of worship by singing "I Love You Lord Medley." "Hymn of Joy" was sung by the choir.

The church was beautifully decorated with Boston ferns arranged around candelabras which held white candles that provided lovely candlelight for the ceremony.

Given in marriage by her parents, the bride was escorted to the altar by her father. She wore a gown of satinet with Schiffl lace, the fitted bodice in an A-line style accented by a peplum and chapel train. Her two-finger fingertip veil was held by a pearl tiara. She carried a bridal bouquet of silk flowers over a white Bible which was given to her as a wedding gift.

Attending the bride as matron of honor was her sister-in-law, Joyce Burton of Grant, Alabama.

Bridesmaids were Lawanna Flowers, Leesburg, Georgia; Deborah Stabler, Auburn, sisters of the groom; Robbie Haire, Phenix City, cousin of the bride; Diane Reisinger and Libby Endsley of Atlanta. Flower girl was Erin Poythress of Atlanta.

Bridal attendants were gowned alike in periwinkle blue floor-length polyester dresses. Each carried an arrangement of silk flowers in shades of blue and peach.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Burton chose a pale pink chiffon tea-length dress accented with satin cuffs and belt, pleated bodice and full skirt.

Mrs. Hocutt wore a midnight blue street-length dress with a gogette skirt and matching lace bodice which held a flowing panel down the back.

Mr. George Hocutt served his son as best man. Groomsmen were Steve Potter, Huntsville; Charles Herbert Burton, Grant, Alabama, brother of the bride; Herbie Shane and Seth Burton of Grant, nephews of the bride. Ringbearer was Glen Burton of Grant, nephew of the bride.

The groom and groomsmen wore traditional daytime formal wear of charcoal gray cutaway jacket, tapered into tails, with huckery striped trousers and complemented by coordinating striped ascot and dove gray vest. Each wore a white rosebud boutonniere.

Immediately following the ceremony, a reception was held in the dining room of the church.

Linda Danley, Atlanta, greeted the guests at the registration table and invited them to the bride's table for refreshments.

The bride's tables were skirted and overlaid with white lace cloths. One table was centered by a four-tiered cake, decorated with miniature roses. The cake was cut and served by Annette Brown of Atlanta.

The other table held a silver

candelabra interlaced with a silk floral arrangement. Silver compotes held party delicacies, and punch was served from a silver punch bowl by Jean Creech, Patty Shaling and Barbara Thomas of Atlanta.

Mrs. Della Whitman, grandmother of the groom, invited guests to the groom's table. The table was skirted with brown satin and overlaid with a beige lace cloth. A large brass candelabra with a cascade of grapes at the base lighted the cake table. A fishing scene accented the arrangements, and all table appointments were in brass.

Along with the four-tiered chocolate cake, guests enjoyed fresh fruit and dip, cheese bites and crackers, and brown and white chocolate pretzels.

Serving at the groom's table were Julia Ryan, Atlanta, and the groom's two sisters. Assisting with and serving was Anne Whitman, Panama City, Florida, aunt of the groom.

For her honeymoon, the bride changed into a skirt and sweater suit with matching shoes and bag to complement her ensemble.

After a wedding trip to Hilton Head, South Carolina, and the Great Smoky Mountains of North Carolina, the couple will reside in Huntsville.

The future groom is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Jasper Kelley of New Brockton, and the late Mr. and Mrs. Stephen A. Farris.

He is a 1981 graduate of New Brockton High School and is presently attending Enterprise State Junior College. She is employed by The Citizens Bank of Enterprise.

The wedding will take place August 17 at 6:30 in the evening at El Bethel Assembly of God, New Brockton. All friends and relatives are invited to attend. No local invitations will be sent.

PRE-NUPRIAL PARTIES
Bridesmaids Luncheon
Miss Carolyn Burton and her attendants were honored with a bridesmaids' luncheon on Friday, June 14. This lovely affair was held at Little Gardens Restaurant which is a converted antebellum mansion in Lilburn, Georgia.

Upon arrival the honoree was presented a corsage by the hostess, Bonnie Wagner.

The dining table was beautifully decorated with a centerpiece of fresh cut flowers. The name-place cards had a double gold ring accent and were designed and made by the hostess.

A delicious fruit and salad plate with sherbet was served to members of the wedding party and guests.

After the meal, Miss Burton presented her attendants with gifts, and the hostess gave the honoree a decorative candle which held the formal wedding announcement.

After-Rehearsal Dinner
Mr. and Mrs. George Hocutt entertained with an after-rehearsal dinner for members of the Burton-Hocutt wedding on Friday evening, June 14, in the Knights Inn in Clarkston, Georgia.

Mr. Keith Hocutt presented gifts to all his attendants, and the bride and groom exchanged gifts.

Mrs. Hocutt read the poem "With God as Your Partner" and dedicated the upcoming marriage to God. After the invocation by Mr. Hocutt, guests served themselves from a buffet table filled with barbecue and other tasty selections of food.

Thirty-five members of the wedding party, family and friends enjoyed the gala affair.

"Oh say can you see... IT'S ABOUT TIME!"

The "Star Spangled Banner" was written in 1814, but did not become the national anthem until 1931.

Clay Sutley Is Two Years Old

Wayne and Chris Sutley formerly of Elba, hosted a cookout at their home in Troy on June 17 to celebrate the second birthday of their son, Clay.

Clay's father, Wayne is manager of Skinner Furniture Store in Troy and his mother Chris teaches fourth grade at Zion Chapel School.

Clay's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sutley of Elba and Mr. and Mrs. Glennon Braddy of Brundidge.

Clay's birthday cake was decorated in the Care Bear theme. Clay and his friends enjoyed swimming and building castles in his new sandbox, a birthday gift from his parents.

Harris Family Hold Reunion

The R.L. Harris family reunion was held July 4 at the family home on Rt. 3, Elba.

Most family members were in attendance, including nieces, nephews and others, totaling approximately 45.

Jenna Donaldson Entertained With Party On Birthday

Jenna Anne Donaldson, daughter of Mark and Golda Donaldson, celebrated her first birthday with a "Strawberry Shortcake" party at her home on June 29, 1985. Those celebrating her birthday with Jenna were Beth Armstrong, Amanda and Kevin Brown, Bence Carter, Rena Donaldson, Dana and Marti Donaldson, Morgan Hodge, Justin and Jeremy Jones, Kyra and Courtney Kelley, Emily and Haley Wise. Also helping in the celebration were her grandparents: Mr. Maxwell Tindall and Mr. and Mrs. Deron Donaldson.

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CLAYTON WAYNE SUTLEY



JENNA ANNE DONALDSON



Mr. Kelley - Miss Hornsby

"Envy is the sincerest form of flattery." John C. Collins

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Whitley Family Reunion To Be Held

Mrs. Lois Whitley had all her children home for a family reunion June 23.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. E.H. Whitley, Brandy and Aubrey Stanfill, Fort Payne, Ms. and Mrs. Aubrey Jacobs and Jill, Enterprise; Captain and Mrs. Clifford Fetter, Panama City, Fla.; Mr. and Mrs. Wyeth Bragg, Elba; Donna Bragg, Panama City; Mr. and Mrs. Bart Whitley, Michael Cook, China Springs, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. W.O. Helms, Orangeville, Calif.

Mrs. Whitley spent a month with Bart and Kitty Whitley in Texas before the reunion.

Rushing And Davis At TSU

Taylor Rushing and Harris Davis of Elba are participating in SEEK, a Troy State University (Troy, AL) summer honors and enrichment program for academically proficient high school students who have just completed their junior year.

Taylor is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dykes Rushing and Harris is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Davis, all of Elba.

They are attending TSU for the full eight-week summer term. Participants in the program are enrolled in up to 15 quarter hours of coursework in the general studies curriculum.

Students must return to Troy State following high school graduation in order to validate these college credits and to reclaim any scholarships.

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Students must return to Troy State following high school graduation in order to validate these college credits and to reclaim any scholarships.

Socials



Miss Lisa Smith

Miss Smith - Mr. Johnson To Wed In August

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy B. Smith of Elba announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Tammy Lisa, to Milford Timothy Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milford W. Johnson, also of Elba.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Bryan and the late Mr. Fred Jackson; Mrs. Bonnie Smith and the late Mr. L.B. Smith, all of Elba.

Lisa is a 1981 graduate of Elba High School. She is also a 1984 graduate of Auburn University at Montgomery, where she received a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting.

The wedding will be an event of August 17, at six o'clock in the evening at the Elba Church of Christ. No formal invitations are being sent locally. All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

The bride's dress will be a white tulle and lace, with a full skirt and long train. The groom's dress will be a white tulle and lace, with a full skirt and long train.

The bride's bouquet will be a white tulle and lace, with a full skirt and long train. The groom's bouquet will be a white tulle and lace, with a full skirt and long train.

The bride's veil will be a white tulle and lace, with a full skirt and long train. The groom's veil will be a white tulle and lace, with a full skirt and long train.

The bride's shoes will be a white tulle and lace, with a full skirt and long train. The groom's shoes will be a white tulle and lace, with a full skirt and long train.

The bride's jewelry will be a white tulle and lace, with a full skirt and long train. The groom's jewelry will be a white tulle and lace, with a full skirt and long train.

The bride's hair will be a white tulle and lace, with a full skirt and long train. The groom's hair will be a white tulle and lace, with a full skirt and long train.

The bride's makeup will be a white tulle and lace, with a full skirt and long train. The groom's makeup will be a white tulle and lace, with a full skirt and long train.

The bride's nails will be a white tulle and lace, with a full skirt and long train. The groom's nails will be a white tulle and lace, with a full skirt and long train.

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Miss Walker Becomes Bride Of Mr. Melton In Afternoon Ceremony

Miss Molly Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willie James Walker of Elba, and Mr. Jeffery Melton, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Melton, Opelika, Ala., were united in holy matrimony May 25, 1985, at three o'clock in the afternoon at the Mulberry District Missionary Baptist Association building, Rev. Jonas Rogers, uncle of the bride, officiated in the double-ring candlelight ceremony.

Nursing Graduates Honored At Ceremony



NURSING STUDENTS GRADUATES-Nineteen students graduated from the Licensed Practical Nursing Program at Douglas MacArthur State Technical College during the pinning ceremony held Thursday, May 30, at the college. Graduates are: front row, from left, Norma Jones, DeFunak Springs, Florida; Denise Wheeler, Freeport, Florida; Sarah Black, Brundidge, Dennie Ann Bruer, Daleville; Instructors, Joan Simmons, Vassie Weaver, Andalusia; Lisha Weeks, Opp; Lareisa Hutto, Enterprise; Leigh Ann Deely, Enterprise; Back row, from left, Joyce Layton, Geneva; June Buxton, Enterprise; Corena Blackmon, New Brockton; Pamela Landrum, Enterprise; Zula Mae Myrick, Andalusia; Pam Richburg, Laverne; Patsy Parrish, Paxton; Melanie Smith, Brundidge; Evon Thompson, Florida; Shirley Jackson, Lockhart; and Connie Maurer, River Falls.

The pinning ceremony for practical nursing graduates was held at MacArthur State Technical College on Thursday, May 30, at 10 a.m.

Dr. Richard J. Spurlin was guest speaker and guests were welcomed by class secretary Lisha Weeks and college president Raymond V. Chisum.

During the program Jenette Pugh, Gideon representative, presented each senior with a white Bible. Instructors were introduced by class treasurer Zula Mae Myrick; Pamela Landrum recited a poem she had written for the ceremony. Class president Shirley Jackson gave the farewell address.

Blue and white nosegays were presented to each student by instructor Cynthia Taylor.

A reception was held in honor of the graduates after the program.



JESSIE J. SMART recently retired from the Ft. Rucker division of Sikorsky Support Services, Inc. He had been employed by the aircraft maintenance contractor for the U.S. Army Aviation School since November, 1956, as a sheetmetal mechanic. At the time of his retirement, he was assigned to Aircraft Maintenance at Lowe Army Heliport. A retirement ceremony was held in his honor at the division headquarters, where he was presented a Sikorsky Certificate of Appreciation by the Director of Operations, William E. Shoultz. Also present for the occasion was James E. Fussell, general foreman, Aircraft Maintenance, Lowe. Smart will make his retirement home in Elba. Pictured, from left - Fussell - Smart - Shoultz.

Prescribed Burning Tour Set By Forestry Dept.

The Coffee County Forestry Advisory Committee will conduct a prescribed burning tour Wednesday, July 17, from 8:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Vehicles will leave from the Forestry office and Farm Center in New Brockton at 8:30.

Call 894-6332 - Soil Conservation Service - for more information.

Card Of Thanks

We wish to thank friends and relatives for prayers, visits, calls, cards and flowers during the recent illness in our family. The prompt and efficient care given by Dr. Dyess and other personnel of Elba General Hospital and the help of Mr. Sonny Inman and Mr. Junior Kelley with the Elba Rescue Squad is greatly appreciated. May God bless you.

The Clayton Hickman family
7-11-19



GRAND OPENING of "Just 4 You" on Buford Street was held Saturday, July 6. Pictured at the ceremonies are L. R. Dud English, executive director, Elba Chamber of Commerce; Howard and Jane Rich - co-owners; Mayor Bob English; Carol, Ginger and Perry Wilson - co-owners; and Barry Giles, President, Elba Chamber of Commerce.



Henry Sutley of Elba needed a pole to measure the height of this corn he grew on a half-acre plot in his garden. The corn stalks are 13 feet tall and still growing! Pictured with Henry are his son Larry and granddaughter Laura.



Kelly Sheffield Chosen To Who's Who Second Time

Kelly Sheffield, 1985 graduate of Zion Chapel High School, has been chosen for the second time as a member of "Who's Who Among American High School Students", the first time in her junior year.

Only five percent of the nation's juniors and seniors are chosen for this achievement, and only half of one percent are honored for two consecutive years.

Kelly was active in her school activities, including "Who's Who" in her senior yearbook; drum major for the Zion Chapel marching band. Kelly plans to attend Troy State University in the fall and hopes to be a member of the Sound of the South Marching Band.

Parker Reunion Held In Florala Recently

The Parker reunion was held recently in Florala.

Hosts were Tom and June Moore, and Truman and Vannie Fuller, with Vannie giving the welcome and invocation.

Those attending were Walter Parker, Opp; W.T. and Dorothy Parker, Crestview, Fla.; John and Joann Parker, Panama City, Fla.; Ray and Betty Weeks, Opp; Mollie Mae Parker, Opp; Evelyn Threat, Opp; Mandy Wilson, Chattahoochee; Lena Belle Weeks, Elba; Joel and Doris Matthews and Kevin, Elba; Wayne and Charlotte Brewer, Teresa, Misty and Susan, Enterprise;

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Three New Principals To Assume Duties In Elba City School System

When students in the Elba City School System return to the classroom next month they will be greeted by two new principals, a new

assistant principal and a school official that will monitor the new principal at Elba High

School will be Mickey McCollough, who served as middle school principal for the past 3 1/2 years. McCollough is a graduate of Elba High School and Troy State University (BS and MS) and has been involved in education for 19 years.

"I'm looking forward to the move to high school," stated McCollough, "and except for the increased curriculum available I don't anticipate any major changes. I will work with the staff, parents and students to make sure every student receives the best possible education available."

The position of assistant principal was created at Elba High School and named to fill the position was Willie Tyson. Tyson is a graduate of Elba High School and has worked in education for 10 years, including four years at Elba from 1977-1981.

"I'm excited about coming back to Elba," Tyson said. "I enjoyed teaching here more than any place in the state."

State P&S Official Tells Local Board Staff Shortage Is Problem Statewide

The Coffee County Board of Pensions and Security held its regular quarterly meeting on Thursday, July 11, at 8:30 a.m. at the P&S conference room in Elba, and heard John Parrish, a state P&S official, agree that the local department was in need of additional staff workers.

Parrish, administrator of field management for the State Dept. of Pensions and Security, stated the department needed additional employees statewide and agreed Coffee County needed at least six additional workers.

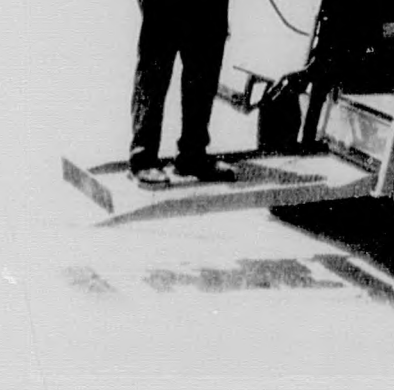
Added workers at the local level are needed in the service program (3), child support (1), clerical (1) and food stamp office (1).

"Staffing is based on a formula fed into a computer," stated Parrish, "and the information is not always specific enough to fill the needs. Despite the local shortage, Coffee County's department is operating in an outstanding manner."

Board chairman Fred Donaldson told Parrish that "Coffee County does indeed have peculiar problems due to the dual courthouses and the military personnel from Ft. Rucker," and encouraged Parrish to feed those problems into the computer.

County P&S Director Ron Smith reported last week that an Elba man had been arrested on two counts of harassing communications.

Arrested was Max Holland, who police alleged made harassing and obscene phone calls in Elba.



ARTHUR L. WILSON stands on the lift of a special bus purchased to transport county students to school at Project Independence in New Brockton.

City Board Of Education Cuts Seven Teachers In Effort To Cut Expenses

The Elba City Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, July 11, and in a move aimed at reducing a recurring deficit, voted to eliminate seven teaching positions. The cuts were made in the elementary school, and the cuts were made in the middle school, and the cuts were made in the high school.

referred included Ruby Ingram, Frank Phillips, Candace Vaughan, Katrina Farmer, Janet King, Hank Kennedy, Charles Pearce and Ricky Ragus, who are non-tenured support personnel rehired included Ed Cole, Pam McCollough, Betty Coon, Mavis Burch, Lessie Harrison, Leonard Cook, Ronnie Jirright and Cecil Parker.

Teachers to be transferred included Nancy Crowe, from the middle school to elementary; Candace Vaughan from elementary to middle school in the Chapter 1 program; Chester Hammond from middle to high school; and June Grantham from third grade to second grade.



Mickey McCollough

Willie Tyson

Dale Crowe

I've been. I have enjoyed coaching for the past 10 years, but knew the day would come when I would leave the field. I am excited about working with the faculty, parents and students."

Dale Crowe, a teacher in the Elba City School System for the past 15 years, will assume the position of middle school principal. Crowe is a graduate of Cass High School in Cartersville, Ga. and Troy State

University (BS and MA), and has taught Social Studies in the Elba system since 1971.

"It will be a challenge to leave the classroom and assume the responsibilities of principal," Crowe said. "But I have worked with the teachers and don't see any problems. A major challenge facing all educators is to work out an academic schedule that will be most beneficial to all the students, and

that is a challenge I'm looking forward to."

Former Elba High principal Lamar Foley will now coordinate the Career Incentive Program, as well as serve in a local capacity as an administrative aide, while former junior high principal Roland Powell will now coordinate the Child Nutrition Program and be in charge of attendance.

Businessman Sought In Connection With Bogus Investment Scheme Involving Elba Hydro Dam

Coffee County Sheriff Brice Paul said Wednesday that the firmstoppers is offering a reward for information leading to the arrest of James Richard Eddins, a white male, brown hair, six feet tall, weighing about 200 pounds.

Paul said there are warrants outstanding in Houston County for Eddins on theft in the first degree. He also stated additional warrants of theft in the first degree will be secured next week in Coffee County.

Paul furnished this newspaper with copies of letters on Southern Financial Systems, Inc. letterheads offering stock in Hydroelectric Investors I LTD, with a plan to rebuild the Elba hydro dam. The letter indicates it is a joint venture

with the City of Elba and Alabama Electric Co-op. According to the letter the project can be done for \$262,500 and this will be spent by the investors. It also says in the next paragraph that the project will be approximately 35 percent of project completion.

Something apparently fell through because the project was going to be completed by February 1985, and on line during March 1985. The letter noted the generous tax

benefits of up to 50 percent of the investment during the first year and reported a contract beginning April 20, 1985, would return \$7,179.90 monthly, plus 5 percent of gross to the investors, while the project was for a period of 60 months.

The investments were to be in units of \$7,500 each and there was to be \$5 of these units.

This letter, reportedly signed by Eddins, also offered investments in an office/retail complex in Enterprise. The letter reported Phase I of the project had "already been pre-sold to suitable tenants".

Paul said he knew of a widow in



Henry County who reportedly invested \$70,000 with Eddins; another in Houston County who had also invested \$70,000, and possibly one in Enterprise who had invested \$50,000.

The Dothan cases reportedly stem from allegations of an equipment-leasing deal to a non-existent state agency.

Elba Man Involved Marijuana Trial Underway In Federal Court

The trial of two Coffee County men and a Huntsville native charged with conspiring to possess marijuana with the intent to distribute began this week in U.S. District Court in Dothan.

Robert Dale Ross of Elba; Tommy Blackstock of rural Coffee County; and Raymond Malone of Dothan, are being tried before U.S. District Judge Robert Varner on charges of conspiracy and using a telephone in the commission of a

conspiracy. According to opening statements by Asst. U.S. Attorney Charlie Truncali, Ross and Blackstock were to supply Malone with 10-20 pounds of "smokable dice", while the contact with Brown was in Malone trying to "fleece" Brown in a dice game.

Truncali stated Malone turned down the drug deal because of the low "quality" of the marijuana, and because Ross and Blackstock couldn't get the amount agreed on.

New Brockton Receives \$6,500 Block Grant

The New Brockton City Council heard Monday evening that they had been approved for a \$6,500 Community Development Block Grant. The funds will be used as a planning grant for the community. It must be matched \$0-50 by the city.

Mayor Jim Driskell noted this was only about half of the original grant. The council must decide if the project can be done with this money or if it should be returned to Gov. Wallace. He is to check with state officials to determine just what can be done with the funds, and report back to the council.

The city is moving forward with the Senior Citizens project and two councilmen were added to the committee to manage the project.

Council members Laymon Tindol and Robert Miles will work with the private citizens on the committee. If approved it will be the feeding program as in operations in Elba and Enterprise. It is designed to get senior citizens out of their homes and involved, and includes feeding the citizens a group meal once or twice a week. The committee is to check on a potential site for the facility and report back to the council.

The council voted to spend \$400 on some new stop signs for the community and will receive a report at the next meeting on the need for additional street lights. Pothole patching is scheduled to begin next week if the asphalt plant is producing the proper mixture needed.

Federal Jury Still Out In Bullard Cocaine Trial

A federal court jury was still out at presstime Wednesday, July 17, in Dothan in a case involving two Elba brothers charged with possession of two to five ounces of cocaine with intent to distribute.

Jurors began deliberation on Tuesday in the case of Mike and Shane Bullard. The Bullards are alleged to have received two ounces

of cocaine with a street value of \$5,600 from a "smuggler" named Gary Brown, also of Elba.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Charlie Truncali stated during opening statements Monday that the Bullards asked Brown, a government witness, to get them an amount of cocaine from the Bahamas in 1983, and after receiving two ounces, asked Brown for more cocaine.

Truncali said Shane Bullard promised to pay Brown \$1,600 per ounce, but Brown testified Monday he was never paid.

According to Truncali, Brown entered a plea of agreement and agreed to make tapes of the conversations he had with the Bullards.